

Parrell or any of the others whose wires were tapped in the committee investigation contest.

"Not one of them," said Senator Thompson. "If any of them want to testify, the committee will be glad to hear them. Next week we'll resume our inquiry into the Interborough 'commitments and obligations.' We're through with the wire-tapping."

The hearing of the committee has been adjourned until Monday.

#### SWANN AWAITS WORD FROM THE COMMITTEE.

District Attorney Swann, who had been informed by telephone by his secretary, Horace Foster, that Senator Thompson had said he was practically through with the wire-tapping investigation and that it was now in the District Attorney's hands, made this statement to-day:

"I have received no official notification from Senator Thompson or any member of his committee of a change in the committee's programme. Should there be a change I would first want to consult the members of the committee as to what lines were being followed and what further testimony was in prospect before proceeding."

"Mr. Seymour has a right to permit any person to enter his office. He has come to this office three times, always at the request of the District Attorney, and although urged to go before the Grand Jury, he has answered each time that he did not desire to press a charge against Mr. Burns, thereby, at least by implication, appearing to ratify his act. Mr. Seymour is the only one who can lodge a complaint."

United States Attorney Marshall said to-day:

"In so far as the initiative in the Seymour & Seymour case is concerned, there was no Federal interest. It was the alleged theft of Morgan papers which started the case, and in which the Federal authorities had absolutely no interest. Then the police stumbled across information which they thought would be of interest to the Federal authorities."

"Has the information been forwarded to Washington?" he was asked.

"I can't say so. Maybe it has not, but I cannot discuss it," Mr. Marshall replied.

"Did any one come to you with a story that a German army officer intended diverting ammunition to Mexico?"

"About fifty persons came to me with such information," said Mr. Marshall.

"Did you put any faith in such a statement?"

"The fact that a person would take the trouble to come to me would induce me to make an investigation. But I may say I do not believe that any considerable amount of war munitions was diverted to Mexico," was the reply.

A willing but long delayed witness, Police Commissioner Woods last evening described to the committee the whole system of "listening in."

#### MORGAN'S MAN HAD DETECTAPHONE PUT IN SEYMOUR'S.

In telling of putting a detectaphone in the Seymour office, witnesses asserted that W. J. Burns personally directed it and that it was done at the request of Martin Egan of J. P. Morgan & Co. It was said Burns also had a "tap" and that he examined papers taken from a desk in the office.

After Mayor Mitchell had made his charge against Senator Thompson of "treachery against the United States," and the Senator had insisted there was no question of national interests involved, United States District Attorney Marshall issued a statement that the Seymour case was one with which he had been conversant, and "which has been of interest for some time to the Federal authorities, and which involves national issues."

Counselor Polk of the State Department in Washington, however, said he knew nothing of the Seymour case, and at the Department of Justice all knowledge of the case was denied.

The members of the Burns agency showed no inclination yesterday to obey subpoenas from the committee. Burns's representatives admit they installed a detectaphone in the Seymour office, but denied they tapped the telephone or received the information the police obtained by "listening in."

The committee in executive session heard testimony about the munitions brokerage syndicate in the Seymour office. Members of the syndicate asserted they got their information by "grapevine" and denied they ever claimed to represent J. P. Morgan, or that they had obtained anything from any one in the Morgan offices.

Senator Thompson said he would be glad to co-operate with a Congressional committee, if Congressman Lott's resolution for a committee to investigate the wire-tapping is passed. Word came from Washington that the resolution might never get out of committee.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Department of Justice officials are vitally in-

## SIBLEY BRINGING ALL HIS TROOPS BACK TO BORDER

Notifies War Department Bandits Chased by Second Expedition Are Dispersed.

### CAVALRY TO PATROL.

Sixth Regiment, Belonging to First Expedition, Will Do Duty in Big Bend.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., May 20.—Withdrawal of the second American expedition from Mexico to Boquilla, Tex., will be accomplished in a few days.

Col. Sibley believes his mission of dispersing the bandits who raided Boquilla and Glenn Springs has been accomplished, and he has notified headquarters of his intention to return to the border.

For this reason the Sixth Cavalry, which withdrew from the first expedition yesterday, will be utilized as a Big Bend patrol instead of reinforcing the first expedition.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Official report of Col. Sibley's intention to return from Mexico to the border reached the War Department to-day.

Reports to-day showed that in the recent brush of the second expedition with Mexicans four bandits were wounded and two captured. They had been held as prisoners at Carranza commander's son, thus showing they were not allied with the Carranzistas.

The second expedition has dispersed the bandits, driving them something more than 125 miles below the border. Further, it has released Deemers and Payne, the American captives taken in the Big Bend raids. This, taken with the fact that the Mexican country below the Big Bend is at this time of year, leads to the view that no considerable bandit gangs can long carry on any operations from there.

## TOPPING PLAYS WHITE IN FINAL GOLF MATCH

Young Millionaire Defeats Dyer in Semi-Finals at Garden City, Finishing 40-Foot Putt.

GARDEN CITY, May 20.—Henry Topping, a young millionaire from Greenwich, and Gardner White, champion of the Flushing Club, met here to-day in the finals of the Garden City Golf Club tournament. Topping came through to the title round by means of a victory over Franklin Dyer in the semi-finals, while White defeated John M. Ward, the home club champion.

Topping, in winning one up from Dyer, gave a fine exhibition of fighting golf. Dyer started like a prairie fire and won the first two holes. Topping came back strong at the fourth by sinking a forty-foot putt that made the gallery look up. Again, at the sixth, Topping had his putter working in good shape and ran down a twenty-five-footer which squared the match. From this point Dyer succeeded in gaining the lead.

White beat Ward two up and was never in serious trouble throughout the match.

Radcliffe for Wilson. CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 20.—Radcliffe College girls in a straw vote for President to-day declared for Wilson. He received 105 of the 222 ballots cast. Col. Roosevelt was second with 44 and Justice Hughes third with 40 votes. Root had 7, Henry Ford 3 and the Socialist candidate, Benson, and La Follette each, Miss Elizabeth Brandeis, daughter of Louis D. Brandeis, was chosen President of the Socialist Club of Radcliffe.

Interested in the wire-tapping investigation in New York. If it ends in laws against listening in on telephone conversations, it was declared to-day, it will set a precedent for other States that will handicap the department in its work.

At present department agents have access to telephone exchanges, particularly in and about Manhattan, where most of the bomb plot work has been done. Much information of value in the case has come from the exercise of this privilege.

A change in the methods will hinder the work of prosecution greatly, it is admitted. Government agents now get much of their evidence not only from telephones but from telegraph companies. Agents seeking information have access to the files of the telegraph companies. If a company refuses to produce its files, the agent has recourse to the court, but this course is avoided by the department, as it entails a loss of time and possible publicity.

## BELGIANS CHECK GERMAN ATTACK ON YSER CANAL

New Drive in the Champagne Section Also Halted, Says Paris War Office.

### BERLIN CLAIMS GAINS.

Reports Repulse of French on Verdun Front and Capture of Argonne Trench.

PARIS, May 20.—German troops last night took the offensive along the Yser Canal, between Steenstraete and Het Sas, the War Office announced to-day. An attempt to cross the canal failed.

The Germans also attacked in the Champagne. The War Office announcement says that aphyxiating gas was used, but that the assault was repulsed.

On the Verdun front there were no important developments. French positions at Avocourt and at Dead Man Hill were bombarded violently.

The attack on the Belgian front was checked by Belgian infantry fire. LONDON, May 20.—The Germans are preparing for a big offensive on the Belgian front, according to several despatches from Holland to-day.

Trainloads of men and ammunition have been moving toward the Belgian front for the past three days. Heavy guns are reported to have been concentrated on the line from the coast to Ypres, as if for a renewal of the attempt to reach Calais. Air scouts are becoming increasingly active.

Following is the text of the War Office statement:

"In Belgium, groups of enemy troops attempted to cross the Yser Canal between Steenstraete and Het Sas. They were checked by infantry and artillery fire."

"In Champagne the Germans discharged dense clouds of gas along our front on the road between St. Hilaire and St. Souplet and on the Souain-Somme-Py Road."

Our curtain of fire made it impossible for the enemy to launch an attack which he had prepared.

"West of the Meuse (Verdun front) there was a violent bombardment during the night against our positions between Avocourt Wood and Dead Man Hill. There was no infantry attack."

"In the Vosges an attack was made on one of our small listening posts."

BERLIN, May 20.—Repeated French attacks against the newly conquered German positions on the Haucourt-Esnes highroad, northwest of Verdun, were repulsed, the War Office announced this afternoon. In the Argonne German patrol parties penetrated French second line trenches, taking some prisoners.

## WALL STREET.

Trading was narrow during the first hour, and price changes were slight. Reading dropped from 104 to 103 1/4 and 1-2. U. S. Steel opened 55 1/4 and 1-2 and sagged off to 55. Anaconda was strong up 7 1/4 to 8 1/4. In the second hour market rallied to about the closing level of Friday. Canadian Pacific advanced 6 1/2 points to 32 3/4, and Union Pacific 1-3/4 to 7 1/4. Closing prices showed fractional gains in greater number of stocks.

Closing Quotations. With net change from previous closing:

Stock	High	Low	Last	Net
Alaska Gold Mines	100	98	99	+1
Am. Agr. Chem.	100	98	99	+1
Am. Can.	100	98	99	+1
Am. Coal	100	98	99	+1
Am. Locomotive	100	98	99	+1
Am. Sugar	100	98	99	+1
Am. T. & P.	100	98	99	+1
Am. Tobacco	100	98	99	+1
Am. Trust	100	98	99	+1
Am. Wire & Cable	100	98	99	+1
Am. Zinc	100	98	99	+1
Am. Wool	100	98	99	+1
Am. Yarn	100	98	99	+1
Am. Paper	100	98	99	+1
Am. Glass	100	98	99	+1
Am. Rubber	100	98	99	+1
Am. Leather	100	98	99	+1
Am. Iron	100	98	99	+1
Am. Steel	100	98	99	+1
Am. Copper	100	98	99	+1
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